

# DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUILDING CODE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

2003 ICC FAMILY OF CODES

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CODE	IBC	SECTION NO.	1014.2.2	SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO.	FLS-12		
PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE	FLS	CHAIR	Devlin	PHONE	301/220-1212	E-mail	john_devlin@schirmereng.com
DATES: OF PROPOSAL	04/20/05	BCAC PRESENTATION	04/20/05	BCAC APPROVAL			

CHECK ONE ☒ **Revise section to read as follows:** ☐ **Delete section and substitute the following:**  
☐ **Add new section to read as follows:** ☐ **Delete section without substitution.**

TYPE ALL TEXT IN 12-POINT TIMES NEW ROMAN FONT

~~LINE THROUGH TEXT TO BE DELETED~~ (highlight text, under Format, click font and check strikethrough)

UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED

Revise Section 1014.2.2 to read as follows:

**1014.2.2 Three or more exits or exit access doorways.** Where access to three or more exits is required, at least two exit doors or exit access doorways shall be placed a distance apart equal to not less than ~~one-half~~ one-third of the length of the maximum overall diagonal dimension of the area served measured in a straight line between such exit doors or exit access doorways. Additional exits or exit access doorways shall be arranged a reasonable distance apart so that if one becomes blocked, the others will be available.

**Exception:** Where a building is equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2, the separation distance of at least two of the exit doors or exit access doorways shall not be less than ~~one-third~~ one-fourth of the length of the maximum overall diagonal dimension of the area served.

Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)

☐ **Increase** ☒ **Decrease** ☐ **Negligible** ☐ **Unknown**

If "Increase" box was checked, indicate estimated range of added cost:

Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling	\$		to	\$	
Per 1,000SF of commercial building	\$		to	\$	

## JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:

The requirements are inappropriate provisions due to local conditions/building constraints particularly site conditions and urban planning. This provision hampers the economic development of the District without clearly contributing to the safety, health and welfare of the building occupants or population at large. The proposed amendments provide a reasonable degree of protecting the safety, health and welfare of the building occupants or population at large.